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Letter dated 2 July 2013 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit to you, and through you to the members of the Security Council, the joint statement issued at the conclusion of the visit to Khartoum of Riek Machar Teny, Vice-President of the Republic of South Sudan, from 30 June to 2 July 2013.

I would be grateful if you could circulate the present letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council.

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Joint statement

Riek Machar Teny, Vice-President of the Republic of South Sudan, paid an official visit to Khartoum from 30 June to 2 July 2013, accompanied by a delegation comprising a number of Ministers and senior officials in the Government of South Sudan, to discuss with the Government of the Sudan the recent crisis in the relations between the two countries.

During the visit, the two sides discussed the issue of implementation of the cooperation agreements, in particular, the security issue: the Sudan had accused South Sudan of supporting its rebels, which had led to the decision of the Sudan to suspend the agreement between the Government of the Sudan and the Republic of South Sudan on oil and economic matters as of 9 June 2013, and to the shut-down by the Ministry of Petroleum of the Sudan of the processing and transportation facilities in the Sudan for oil received from South Sudan during a period of 60 days as of 9 June 2013. The parties also discussed other claims and counterclaims.

After exhaustive deliberations on the items referred to above, the parties agreed on the following:

1. To refer the complaints to the agreed relevant bilateral mechanisms.
2. To reiterate their acceptance of the proposals of the African Union High-level Implementation Panel (AUHIP) on the current stalemate, and call on the African Union and the Prime Minister of Ethiopia, the Chairperson of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), to expedite the immediate implementation of the AUHIP proposal.
3. To commit themselves to bilateral dialogue and discussions without prejudice to the ongoing facilitation of AUHIP.
4. To respect sovereignty and territorial integrity of each State.
5. To refrain completely from supporting and harbouring one another's dissidents, in accordance with the agreements on security arrangements.
6. To normalize and promote the bilateral relations between the two States.
7. To operationalize the mechanism for implementation, monitoring, evaluation and dispute resolution relating to the cooperation agreements signed in Addis Ababa on 23 April 2013.
8. To support any peace initiatives that will bring about peace and stability in the two States.
9. To finalize the outstanding comprehensive peace agreement issues: namely, the borders and the final status of Abyei.

The discussions were conducted between the parties in an atmosphere of transparency and mutual frankness. The two sides expressed their strong resolve for the resolution of the current crisis between the two countries, in accordance with the principles of respect for each other's sovereignty, non-interference in each other's

internal affairs, non-harbouring or provision of support to elements hostile to each other, and continuation of cooperation at the bilateral level, within the joint African mechanisms agreed upon by the parties.

President Omer Hassan Ahmed Al-bashir received the Vice-President of the Republic of South Sudan, who briefed the President on the discussions with the first Vice-President of the Republic of the Sudan and the anticipated outcome.

Khartoum, 1 July 2013